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**UNITED STATES INTELLIGENCE BOARD**

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24 April 1963**

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**MEMORANDUM FOR DIRECTOR, NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE**

**SUBJECT : Intelligence Requirements for Satellite Collection**

**REFERENCES : USIB-D-41. 14/27, 19 April 1963 and following  
related papers, also dated 19 April: USIB-D-41. 14/28,  
USIB-D-41. 14/29, USIB-D-41. 14/30, USIB-D-41. 14/31,  
USIB-D-41. 14/32**

1. The United States Intelligence Board (USIB), at its meeting today, considered the referenced papers on the subject which had been developed by its Committee on Overhead Reconnaissance (COMOR) and, during general discussion of them (in which you participated), took the following actions:

a. Noted, as announced by the Chairman, USIB, that a select panel of government and non-government specialists was being organized at his direction to examine the feasibility of and develop recommendations for immediate action regarding timely improvement in the capabilities of both existing and future photographic satellite reconnaissance systems to meet U. S. intelligence needs.

b. Agreed, with reference to the COMOR-prepared papers cited above, that it would be desirable for USIB to obtain the views of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) thereon, especially with respect to the technical and operational implications of the requirements statements, as drafted, prior to further consideration by USIB of the COMOR papers. Pursuant thereto, and with note of your concurrence in this procedure, it was understood that NRO would study and submit its comments on the COMOR papers to USIB for discussion at the earliest practicable date.

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c. Noted that the Chairman, USIB, would work out a "timetable" for relating, insofar as feasible, the above NRO study with that to be undertaken by the panel described in a. above.

2. In accordance with paragraph 1.b. above, it is requested that you arrange for preparation of comments by NRO on the referenced COMOR papers. Should NRO require additional copies of these papers for that purpose, please let us know.

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Executive Secretary

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